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BILLET FOR COLD FORGING, METHOD OF MANUFACTURING

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FORGING BILLET, METHOD OF COLD FORGING CRANKSHAFT,

METHOD OF COLD FORGING DISK SHAPED PART WITH SHAFT,

AND COLD FORGING DIE APPARATUS

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Dear Sir:

This communication is in support of a Request for Continuing Examination of the above referenced patent application. THE CHILLE

AMENDMENT

In the Claims

Please amend claims 1 and 2 to read as follows:

1. (TWICE AMENDED) A billet of steel for continuous cold forging, characterized by 0.46 - 0.48 wt % of C (carbon), 0.14 or less of Si (silicon), 0.55 - 0.65 wt % of Mn (manganese), 0.015 wt % or less of P (phosphorus), 0.015 wt % or less of S (sulfur), 0.15 wt % or less of Cu